8138 Stratford
Clayton 5, Missouri
July 3, 1963

Dear Mr Newman,

Thank you very much for giving me the chance to meet you, talk about coins, and see yours. I am also very grateful for the "maundy twopence" you gave me. As you remember, you showed me a great deal of tokens. The other day I came across one and I thought you might like to see it. I would appreciate greatly any information you could give me about its identity. Thanks again for everything.

Yours truly,
Huntley Bond

July 8, 1963

Dear Huntley,

The coin you sent me for identification is a two dram jeweler's weight on the Troy weight system. As you no doubt noticed, the old spelling of dram is used. This is made in Philadelphia, as is clearly shown.

The piece is returned herewith.

Sincerely,

Mr.Huntley Barad
8138 Stratford
Clayton 5, Missouri

From the desk of
ERIC P. NEWMAN

ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC EDUCATION SOCIETY

6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri 63105

January 23, 1980

Mr. Harry Barbach

Dear Harry:

The 1926 U. S. Eagle you asked me to authenticate is returned herewith. It is clearly a forgery of the modern type and has many tell-tale characteristics. The principal defect is to the right of the S of DOLLARS at the rim. There is a large depression in the L of LIBERTY. These defects are found on many of the forgeries. In my opinion, you have a counterfeit subject to seizure. It should be melted up.

I hope I have been helpful.

Sincerely,

Eric P. Newman

jah

Encl.

ERIC P. NEWMAN
ATTORNEY AT LAW
400 WASHINGTON AVENUE
ST. LOUIS 2, MO.

May 30, 1972

Mr. J. L. Barber

28 Prospect Avenue

Ilion, New York 13357

Dear Sir:

I saw your ad in the COIN WORLD of May 31, 1972 with respect to buying Harper's, Leslie's, etc. Do you sell pages cut from these issues?

There are quite a number which I need and wanted to know if you have a price per page and what years you might have available of each of these magazines.

Please be kind enough to let me hear from you.

Sincerely yours,

EPN/atb

ERIC P. NEWMAN

May 31, 1972

Mr. Eric P. Newman
400 Washington Avenue
PO Box 14020
St. Louis, Mo. 63178

Dear Mr. Newman:

Thank you for your letter of May 30th.

I do not sell pages - but I do sell single issues of HARPER'S WEEKLY.

If you wish to make a list of the dates in which you are interested - or if you wish to tell me what interests you, I will see what I can offer you.

Let me know if you are looking for Homer Prints, Remington Prints - G. A. Custer material or whatever.

Sometimes it is worth while to purchase an entire year, bound, to get certain material. The balance of the issues are saleable, if the bound issue is broken carefully.

I am disposing of an accumulation of coins, mostly W.L. and Franklin Halves - which I will sell for the prices offered in the Coin World ads - or, in the case of 1948P, 1953P Halves, 10% off retail.

Rolls!

I also have many rolls of Lincoln Cents. All Rolls are Good or Better.

Best wishes,

I have other coins.

JAMES L. BARBER
28 Prospect Ave.
Ilion, N. Y. 13357

June 6, 1972

Mr. James L. Barber
28 Prospect Avenue
Ilion, New York 13357

Dear Mr. Barber:

Thank you for your letter indicating that you do sell single issues of Harper's Weekly.

I was interested in knowing what periods of Harper's Weekly and what periods of Leslie's you have available.

I would like to buy Harper's Weekly for all of 1860 if you have it. What do you charge for a single issue?

Unfortunately, I just collect coins and do not deal in them.

May I hear from you further.

Sincerely yours,

EPN/atb

ERIC P. NEWMAN
P. O. Box 14020
St. Louis, Missouri 63178

June 8, 1972

Mr. Eric P. Newman
PO Box 14020
St. Louis, Mo. 63178

Dear Mr. Newman:

I do not have a full year 1860 at the moment. I have had it, and every other year they published, 1857-1916.

If I pick up another full year, I will contact you. I sell this year for $70.00, postpaid.

The only 1860 issue I have at the moment, is July, 7th. This is imcomplete. I do not know what is missing.

Why not tell me what interests you. I will check, and if what you want is there, I will send it on to you.

I sell most single issues for $2.00 and $3.00 each, depending on what they contain. Civil War issues, July 22, 1876 (Battle of the Little Big Horn), etc., and other issues of particular interest, sell for more, of course.

In single issues, complete and in good condition, I have at the moment

1864	1	issue	
65	21	"	
66	30	"	
68	17	"	
69	15	"	
72	2	"	
76	27	"	113 issues

Lot Price $ 150.00

Mr. Eric P. Newman (2)

Price includes postage and insurance.

Also have first 6 months of 1866, bound, newspapers in Very Good condition. $35.00

I am not a dealer, either, in anything - but am disabled and buy, sell and trade as a hobby, to help in my own collecting area of interest.

I just sent out quotes on a straight run of HARPER'S WEEKLY 1872 thru 1884, bound, Newspapers in Excellent condition.

Since you did not answer my question - what interests you? - I did not offer them to you, not knowing if it would be worth the trouble.

In any event, I will take in another year 1860, I am sure - and will contact you.

Best wishes,

JAMES L. BARBER
28 Prospect Ave,
Ilion, N. Y. 13357

June 15, 1972

Mr. James L. Barber
28 Prospect Avenue
Ilion, New York 13357

Dear Mr. Barber:

It was so nice to receive your letter of June 8, 1972 and to realize you are just a hobbyist having a little fun. I just wanted you to have a few more facts before I tell you of my various interests.

I collect any pictorial material of Missouri, particularly of the City of St. Louis. I collect items relating to the Mississippi River and the steamboats on the river. I collect anything with respect to United States Mints, Assay Offices, paper money or coinage.

I collect not only from Harper's, but from Leslie's, Gleason's, Ballou's, Daily Graphic, Every Saturday, and the New York Illustrated News. My notations indicate that I need:

Harper's	June 9, 1888
Harper's	June 13, 1896
Harper's	June 20, 1896
Harper's	June 27, 1896
Leslie's	June 13, 1857
Leslie's	Feb. 1, 1862
Leslie's	April 19, 1879
Leslie's	April 19, 1890
Leslie's	Nov. 9, 1889

These are ones I know about and there must be many, many, that I do not know about. I imagine I will have to go to the library and use the index to try to locate some of the pictures with which I am not familiar.

Thank you for your kindness and cooperation. I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely yours,

ERIC P. NEWMAN
P. O. Box 14020
St. Louis, Missouri 63178

EPN/atb

Barber, Paul J

From: Barber, Paul J
Sent: Monday, October 03, 2011 1:52 PM
To: [redacted]
Subject: RE: autograph request

Dear Mr. Newman:

Thank you so much! I'll forward one of my books with a post paid return. Your work has been an inspiration to me. Specifically, in the last year my interest in Continental Currency has been consuming all of my free time – I'm fascinated by the signatories and their backgrounds. Someday I hope to publish an article on that topic.

Thank you, again.
Best regards,
Paul

From: EricNumis@aol.com [mailto:EricNumis@aol.com]
Sent: Monday, October 03, 2011 1:28 PM
To: Barber, Paul J
Cc: [redacted]
Subject: autograph request

Dear Mr. Barber:
Your inquiry to Ms. Morzano of Coin World as to my autograph was forwarded to me and is appreciated. I feel it is better if you want my autograph on other than a check please send me something numismatic that I have written with a post paid return envelope to you. My address is 6450 Cecil Ave. St. Louis MO 63105
Eric P. Newman

Dear Mr. Newman:

As we discussed in our email correspondence (attached for reference), please find enclosed the book I would like you to autograph. Your 5th edition of this book has been a great resource to me and sparked my interest in researching the signers of Continental Currency.

Thank you very much for your time and consideration of this request.

Best regards,
Paul

Mr. Philip Barber

[redacted]

January 9, 1996

Dear Sir:

Your fellow dealer, Timothy Hughes, and your customer, Wayne Homren, both suggested that I contact you for newspapers for our collection.

I would like to buy:

Massachusetts Spy or Worcester Gazette, March 13, 1786
Massachusetts Centinel, May 10, 1786
Massachusetts Centinel, May 17, 1786 (This you recently sold according to Homren, but another could come along or perhaps your customer might sell it at a profit.)

I should have many more requests in the future. I have been a collector of numismatic literature for 40 years.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Eric P. Newman

July 22, 1979

Eric P. Newman
Missouri Numismatics Society
St. Louis, Missouri

Mr. Newman:

I've just finished reading the article on numismatics in today's St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

During the '50's, I collected quite a number of nickels, dimes, quarters, and half-dollars. I also have several coins from the turn of the century and a bit earlier, from my grandmother.

However, every time I try to get an evaluation of the coins' worth, I'm quoted what I feel is a most exorbitant price by dealers.

I'm wondering if there is any service or private expert who could give me an evaluation of their worth at either no cost or very minimal.

Perhaps you might be able to make a suggestion or two. I would appreciate your expertise and advice.

Sincerely,

Ron Barber

Ron Barber
7236 Tulane, 1-E
St. Louis, Missouri 63130
Home: 863-6307
or
(618)594-2048

Called by telephone
7/27/79
+ left message

Mark Barbour
March 4, 1996
International Printing Museum
8469 Kass Drive
Buena Park, CA 90621

Dear Mark:

Your ideas as to two color printing made up for the delayed response. It is a very difficult problem, but you have added to the logic.

If my thought of the papier mache cutout is a possibility these could have a weight attached to their outer side so they would not move when ink was applied next to them. They would be fitting over raised type etc. in any event.

Now I have a more curious suggestion. Could the ink be applied to the inside of the papier mache cap and then the papier mache placed over the type and the design so that the ink transferred to the raised type surfaces which were clean from the prior printing? The subsurface portions would be a mess but that would be true regardless of the ink application method.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Eric P. Newman

September 11, 1964

Dear Mr. Bareford,

Because your 1804 Dollar was in a law suit and because you straightened me out on train schedules, I wanted to send you a cop y of the supplemental comments I wrote on the 1804 Dollar book.

Kindest regards,

Sincerely

From the desk of
ERIC P. NEWMAN

Denver 2, Colo., July 1 1960

Eric P. Newman,
c/o Edison Bros. Stores, Inc.,
400 Washington Ave.,
St. Louis 2, Mo.

IN ACCOUNT WITH

BARGAIN BOOK STORE

New and Used Books

406 15th Street — Phone KEystone 1418

1960

Mar. 15	1 - Mumey - Pioneer Denver Mint -	$10.00

Please

July 13, 1960

Bargain Book Store
406 Fifteenth Street
Denver 2, Colorado

Gentlemen:

You recently sent me an invoice for $10.00 for Pioneer Denver Mint. Unfortunately, your records are not too good. I paid you $10.00 for the book and apparently you sent me two copies. I thought this was very nice of you but apparently it was a duplication of the order.

I am returning the second copy which you sent me.

Very truly yours,

ERIC P. NEWMAN

EPN/atb

August 30, 1979

Mr. Clarence Barksdale, President
First National Bank in St. Louis
510 Locust Street
St. Louis, MO 63101

Dear Cedge:

In my numismatic collection is a $10 note of the Union Bank of Missouri signed by W. H. Barksdale as President. I am enclosing a photocopy. I am interested in knowing whether the portrait which appears on the bill is his portrait.

Perhaps you could tell from you family archives. This bank which was organized in 1857 is one of the predecessors of your institution. as you know, and arose out of the unincorporated private banking business which your family had previously conducted.

If you have any information on this note, I would be appreciative.

Sincerely,

Eric P. Newman

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Encl.

September 28, 1979

Mr. Clarence C. Barksdale, President
First National Bank in St. Louis
510 Locust Street
St. Louis, MO 63101

Dear Cedge:

Thank you for your reply to my inquiry.

William H. Barksdale was in St. Louis as early as 1847. He worked for a dry goods firm. About 1855 he became an exchange broker and banker in the Darby & Barksdale partnership. In 1857 when the first private banks were incorporated under State law he became president of the Union Bank of Missouri. By 1860 he became a private banker again under the firm name of W. H. Barksdale & Co. By 1866 he is no longer in the city directories so he either left the city or died. Whether the Barksdale listings after that are his family would be interesting to know.

I think I have every reason to assume the picture is his but merely wanted to see if you or any family member had other data.

Kindest regards,

Eric P. Newman

jah

Mr. Clarence C. Barksdale

[redacted]

November 6, 2000

Dear Cedge:

Your refreshing and stimulating talk at the Mercantile Library banking celebration at UMSL and your thesis on Missouri Branch banking bave joined our money library. We are very appreciative of your cooperation in placing them there for the benefit of the public.

If you ever need any further information on coin or currency subject matter please feel free to call on us.

Thank you. The paint bas dried.

Thrive,

Eric P. Newman

Subj: **Linderman of Amsterdam**
Date: 8/29/2009 5:16:04 P.M. Eastern Daylight Time
From: [redacted]
To:

Eric,

Thank you for your time and ideas for getting additional information about the Lindermans of Amsterdam and their scales and weights. I have a copy of Withers and will check to see if they have entries for Linderman coin weights. It will also help me get information about the coins for which I have weights in my Linderman coin scale. I checked an old membership list for ISASC Europe. There are several members in the Netherlands. Hopefully via some of my contacts in Europe, I can get email addresses which will make it a lot easier and quicker to contact them.

Should our travels take us to St. Louis the museum at Washington University will certainly be one of our stops.

Thanks again,
Steve Barnett
Ellicott City, Maryland

From the desk of IRVING EDISON

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I have no interest in this matter.

Your Candid RE

BARNES HOSPITAL
BARNES MEMORIAL TOWER ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI 63110 FORUM 7-0400

August 19, 1969

Mr. Irving Edison, President
Edison Brothers Stores
P. O. Box 14020
St. Louis, Missouri 63178

Dear Mr. Edison:

Last April 30 you wrote that your Nephew, Mr. Eric Newman might be interested in purchasing two 1935 silver dollars which Barnes received in connection with distribution of the Corinne Stiller Estate. I still have the two coins and would be glad to send them to Mr. Newman or to you for his inspection and purchase if he wants them. Though they are tarnished, they appear to be in very good condition.

Will you please let me know?

Sincerely,

John L. Warmbrodt

John L. Warmbrodt
Assistant Treasurer

JLW:pt

OPERATING HOSPITALS OF BARNES HOSPITAL-WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY MEDICAL CENTER

BARNES HOSPITAL

September 23, 1969

Mr. Eric Newman
Edison Bros. Stores, Inc.
400 Washington
St. Louis, Missouri 63101

Dear Mr. Newman:

Accompanying this letter are two 1935 silver dollars received by Barnes Hospital in connection with distribution of the Corinne Stiller Estate.

You have previously offered to dispose of them for us and it would be appreciated if you would do so. Whatever the proceeds, would you please remit them by check payable to Barnes Hospital?

Thank you very much.

Sincerely,

John L. Warmbrodt

John L. Warmbrodt
Deputy Director

JLW:lr

October 1, 1969

Barnes Hospital
Barnes Hospital Plaza
St. Louis, Missouri 63110

Attention Mr. John L. Warmbrodt
Assistant Treasurer

Gentlemen:

You asked us to liquidate two 1935 Philadelphia Mint silver dollars for the Hospital. Unfortunately, both pieces had extensive surface chemical damage in certain areas, which appeared black on the coins, as you recall. This deterioration had eaten into the coins to some extent.

As a result, the coins were sold to Mr. James Berkel of Belleville, Illinois, for $10, the proceeds of which are enclosed herewith. We were pleased to be of service to you.

Yours very truly,

Eric P. Newman

EPN/cal

Enclosure

ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC EDUCATION SOCIETY

6250 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri 63105

Roger E. Barnes

[redacted]

July 10, 2000

Dear Mr. Barnes:

Your kind remarks about the numismatic research and writing I do are very much appreciated.

I am always delighted to have additions to my work and fortunately they come in from people like you. I'll use it in the next edition, if any.

Please send me a photocopy of the face and back of your bill. Signers were often omitted from the authorizing records and issues of those authorized to sign were often not fully specified. The latter is the situation in your finding.

Please make any other suggestions and enjoy your renewed enthusiasm for collecting.

Thrive,

Eric P. Newman

ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC EDUCATION SOCIETY

6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri 63105

Roger E. Barnes

[redacted]

August 14, 2000

Dear Mr. Barnes:

I finally was able to work on the items in your July 17, 2000 letter.

You are correct about the Connecticut 3/01/80 typo of 1s6d instead of 2s6d. Thank you for catching it. One never is able to catch all of these lapses with modern checking equipment.

As to the September 26, 1778 Continental Currency $50 in your collection I am enclosing photocopies of one genuine and 5 counterfeits in my collection. Perhaps you can improve my descriptions of the counterfeits and clear up the status of yours.

I am sure you saw the recent article about Continental signers in The Numismatist. Good luck on your work. I will be glad to use any new data you develop if you find new names or important new categories and if my publisher and I find it numismatically important and not just genealogical and if there is a fifth edition.

Good luck on your collection. Used notes have always been more realistic to me as well.

Thrive,

Eric P. Newman

July 17, 2000

Eric P. Newman
6450 Cecil Avenue
St. Louis, Missouri 63105

Dear Mr. Newman:

What a delight it was to receive yours of the 10th. Thank you for responding to my earlier letter to you, sent in care of Krause Publications.

Let me say that you have been one of my unseen "heros" for over thirty years, based on your lengthy research and publications on early American paper money. My own interest in that specialty probably began back around 1960, when I was exposed to a modest collection at the William L. Clement Library at the University of Michigan. Its director at the time allowed me to examine and curate those notes.

Shortly thereafter, I acquired a dozen or so notes of my own, but somewhere along the way lost interest or available money, so sold them off. More recently though, despite still having limited funds, I have resurrected that interest, not as a collector per se, but more as an amateur historian of early America and its ephemera.

I now have (only) seventy notes, with no focus other than to acquire notes in circulated condition. In other words, notes that were actually used by our colonial ancestors. So, extremely fine condition is perfectly acceptable and even preferred.

Am also acquiring various publications related to early paper money. Have the 1940 Wayte Raymond catalog, as well as your first (sans book jacket), second (bicentennial), and now fourth editions. Am still looking for a reasonably priced copy of your third edition.

Despite my very modest collection, I have uncovered a couple of items about which you might be interested:

1. A CC/09/26/78-$50 note (apparently not counterfeit) in my possession appears to be signed by J[ohn] Salter, who is not listed on page 81 of your fourth edition as a signer of that issue. Enclosed please find a photocopy (best that I could make) of my note, for your examination and response.

2. I also have a CT/03/01/80-2s6d note which is not listed as an issued denomination on page 109 of your fourth edition. But since it is listed as such in your first and second editions, I wonder if the fourth edition

contains a typographical error: In place of a 2s6d denomination, the fourth edition lists now a 1s6d denomination.

Thank you in advance for your thoughts on these two matters.

You might also be interested in a project in which I am engaged: I am compiling a database of all persons of provincial, colonial, state, and/or national prominence who signed any early American paper money note. Along with a quick access checklist, I have about a paragraph of text that briefly describes their notoriety.

Your book, of course, contains some lists of prominent signatories. But I have expanded this considerably, albeit to be a never-ending job. Some day, perhaps if you were to re-issue your book, you might wish to include my compilation as an appendix.

Thank you again, Mr. Newman, for your kind response to my query, and for your continuing interest in any modest contributions that I might make to this subject. I look forward to further correspondence.

Yours truly,

Roger E. Barnes

Georgia Barnhill
January 17, 1996
American Antiquarian Society
185 Salisbury St.
Worcester, MA 01609

Dear Ms. Barnhill:

I enclose a pbotocopy of a broadside we acquired at an auction a month ago. I understand from your librarian that it is not listed in Evans or in Sboemaker, but is annotated by pencil among the titles of the latter.

It has no date, no place and no printer on it. It is clearly a United States item.

The U.S. Quarter dollar was not minted until 1796 so it seems that sbould be the earliest date for the broadside. It spells dime as disme five times and I am not certain of the date of the abandonment of the frencb spelling but that is a clue.

With all the place names I cannot find one whicb was not in existence in 1796 and thereafter for many years.

Can you figure out wbose type or ornaments it bas on it.

I would like to know its date and any other conclusions you can draw.

I am a member of AAS and I thank you for your belp in this matter.

Sincerely,

Eric P. Newman

Georgia B. Barnhill
Marcb 6, 1996
American Anitquarian Society
185 Salisbury St.
Worcester, MA 01609-1634

Dear Ms. Barnhill:

The broadside on the excbange value of foreign coins in Federal money could be as early as April 2, 1792 wben the Mint Act was passed and probably not later than 1795©1796 wben France introduced new denominations of centimes, decimes and francs whicb are not in the broadside. While some of the United States coins were not yet issued until 1796 the language describing them in the broadside is exactly the language of the Mint Act.

I have enclosed a similar Britisb broadside (also without printer or date) from whicb the American broadside was copied to a great extent and bave tentatively concluded from similar evidence that the Britisb broadside was printed about 1757.

I bope this is belpful and I thank you for writing us.

Sincerely,

Eric P. Newman

5 Victoria Ave.
Newport, R.I.
8 December 1962

Mr. Eric P. Newman
6450 Cecil Avenue
St. Louis, Missouri

Dear Mr. Newman,

It has been recommended that I write you concerning a colonial coin given me. I believe this coin to be a Virginia shilling piece because of the following: 1) the shield on the reverse is identical to that depicted on page 46 of the 1963 "Red Book"; 2) the letters N/A are discernable to the left of the shield; 3) the figurehead on the obverse is identical to the picture; and 4) the top of the head extends above an imaginary line drawn between the bottom of the TE and the bottom of the DEI.

The coin is in fair condition. The letters N/A on the reverse are discernable and the shield and head are clearly identifiable.

Because you are the country's leading expert on Virginia coinage, I am hoping you'll be able to tell me a little about this coin. I further hope you'll be able to tell me its approximate value. For your information the Virginia Historical Society has been unable to answer any of my questions concerning this coin.

Very truly yours

Gary L. Barnum

LTJG U.S.N.

December 17, 1962

Lt.J.G.Gary L. Barnum
5 Victoria Avenue
Newport, Rhode Island

Dear Mr. Barnum:

Due to the poor condition of the piece about which you inquired, I believe it is possible that you have a coin with BRITANNIA on the reverse or perhaps HIBERNIA, both of which have NIA. If you want to send it for examination, you may feel free to do so. You can realize that it is virtually impossible to give an opinion on a coin from your description, which is so meager, because the coin is apparently heavily worn.

You did not state whether it was copper or silver and, if copper, it would be either an English or Irish halfpenny - if it were not a Virginia piece.

Sincerely yours,

ERIC P.NEWMAN NUMISMATIC
EDUCATION SOCIETY

EPN/atb

Nov 4, 1979

Dear Mr Newman,

First, I hope you had a pleasant trip to Europe.

First, again, I did receive the check for the coins and thank you sincerely.

Again, first, I hope you and Mrs Newman are enjoying good health.

With best wishes for both of you,

Most sincerely

Ann Barnett

February 14, 1980

Dear EPN -

Life is full of surprises but I get my surprises when I receive an enclosure in a letter from you such as those which I have been receiving. I wish I could reciprocate in some way but....how?! Thank you for your interest. I appreciate it.

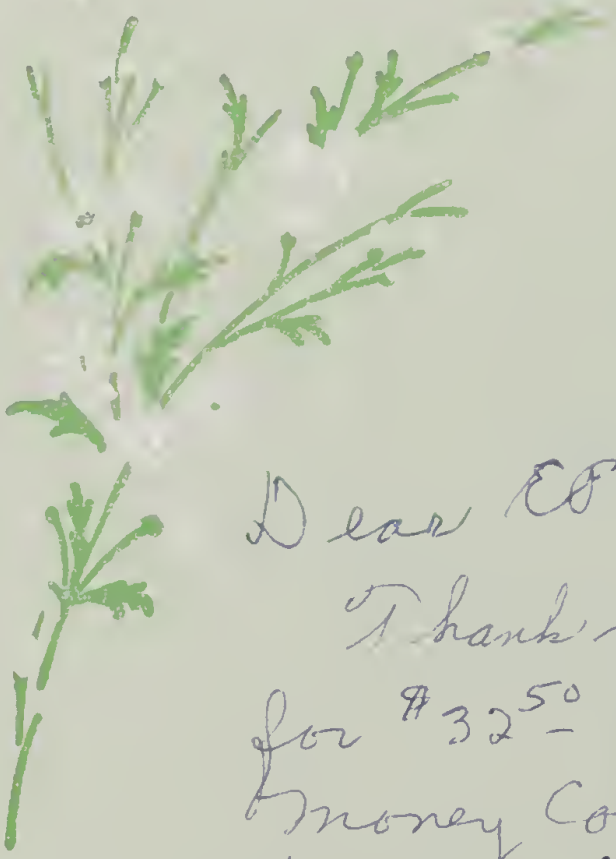
Good health and the best of everything to you and Evelyn.

Most sincerely,

Ann Barnhart

Barrett

4/5/80



Dear EON —

Thank you for the check for $32.50 from Midwest Money Company. I do not know what the check is for.

Best wishes to you and Evelyn

Sincerely

CTB

WILLIAM L.S. BARRETT,
Box 1747, Station B.
Montreal, P.Q., Canada H3B 3B0
Tel:(514)489-5935 Cables:NUMISMATIC

26th August, 1974.

Eric P. Newman,
Edison Brothers Stores, Inc.,
St. Louis, Missouri.

Dear Mr. Newman,

Recently I purchased a collection of early Americana documents relating to numismatics, most of which were transcribed, and a short introduction has been written to them. A photocopy of the introduction is enclosed, and will give you an idea of the nature of the documents.

As you can see, they are the original court records of the arrest and trial of the two principals involved in the first known case of counterfeiting of currency in the United States. There are twelve documents, including the arrest warrants, various testimonies, a petition as to previous good character of a defendant, the guilty verdicts, and other relative material. The documents not only have numismatic importance, but offer insight into the judicial system of the time.

The price of the documents, transcripts, and introduction is $5,000.00.

The only numismatist who has seen these items is Dennis Forgue of Rarcoa, who referred me to you. He had hoped to introduce us at the ANA in Miami, but unfortunately never found both of us at the same time.

Should you be interested in seeing these records, I would be pleased to send them to you on approval. Please feel free to call anytime for any further information.

Yours sincerely,

William Barrett

COUNTERFEITING IN AMERICA, 1691

Papers relating to Robert Fenton and Benjamin Peirce who, in 1691, were tried for the crime of counterfeiting, found guilty, and duly sentenced.

In all probability the earliest record of counterfeiting of currency in what is now the United States. We have found nothing relating to the counterfeiting of currency prior to the 18th Century.

A reading of the papers (including the depositions of witnesses, etc.) indicates that Fenton and Peirce were not counterfeiters in the current sense but were, rather, forgers in that they bought and altered genuine bills of low value and converted them into bills of higher denominations.

Fenton appears to have been somethingof an old hand at the game since in 1683 he was implicated in counterfeiting coins and was tried for that offence in Pennsylvania; see terminal notes.

The First paper currency to be issued in what is now the United States was issued in 1690 by Massachusetts; see terminal notes. The Fenton and Peirce xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx trials occurred in 1691, but it is not unlikely that these gentry, not lacking in experience, commenced their nefarious activities soon after the currency was first issued. But this must remain a matter for conjecture; the established fact is that they were discovered and denounced as early as Aug. 12, 1691.

"The first paper money printed by any colony was made to meet a dire emergency. In 1690 New England and New York organized an expedition to drive the French out of Canada. The Undertaking proved to be such a miserable fiasco that the soldiers were back demanding their pay long before they were expected. As they refused to wait for the necessary funds to be raised by taxation, and as it is a matter of history that taxation was not popular among the colonists, the Massachusetts authorities no doubt acted with commendable discretion when they solved the problem by issuing paper currency to the amount of £ 7,000."

-- Counterfeiting: Crime against the People, by Laurence D. Smith, New York, 1932, p. 17.

Within a year after his arrival in Philadelphia (1682) William Penn and his associates were much chagrined to find that "false money" was being circulated in the Quaker community. The Minutes of the Provincial Council of 8 mo. 24, 1683, show that Governor Penn "Informed the Board, that it was Convenient Warrant should be sent from this board to apprehend some persons upon suspition of putting away bad money." A warrant was issued for Charles Pickering, Samuel Buckley and Robert Fenton, who were accused of "Quining of Spanish Bitts and Boston Money, to the great Damage and abuse of ye Subjects thereof." At the trial Fenton (or Felton) testified that Pickering had given him "Bar'd silver," that he had made the seals (or dies) and that Pickering and Buckley helped make the coins.

Caleb Pusey testified that he had received fifteen pounds in the new "Bitts" and Griffith Jones had also eight pounds from Pickering, against whom a true bill was found for having committed a "Heynous and Grevious Crime..." He was sentenced to make full restitution in good and current money to every person that presented the spurious coin within a month and in addition he was fined forty pounds. Buckley was fined but ten pounds and Fenton, being only a servant, was placed in the stocks for one hour."

Harrold E. Gillingham: Numismatic Notes and Monographs No. 86, Counterfeiting in Colonial Pennsylvania, N. Y., Am. Numismatic Soc., 1939, pp. 4-5.

(Fenton, if one may make the very likely assumption that the same man is here involved, graduated from the counterfeiting of coins and advanced to currency. In 1683 he was but a "servant"; by 1691, he was obviously, a post-graduate.)

ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC EDUCATION SOCIETY

6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis 5, Missouri

September 3, 1974

Mr. William L. S. Barrett
Box 1747, Station B
Montreal, P. Q., Canada H3B 3BO

Dear Mr. Barrett:

Thank you for submitting the documents which you have for sale. Before I can determine what interest there may be in these items, I would appreciate it if you would send me a photocopy of the indictment or the testimony. Of course, if you care to send me more, please feel free to do so.

Thank you for your kindness.

Sincerely,

Eric P. Newman

EPN:jah

WILLIAM L.S. BARRETT,
Box 1747, Station B,
Montreal, P.Q., Canada H3B 3B0
Tel:(514)489-5935 Cables:NUMISMATIC

September 12, 1974.

Mr. Eric P. Newman,
Eric P. Newman Numismatic Education Society,
6450 Cecil Avenue,
St. Louis 5,
Missouri.

Dear Mr. Newman,

Thank you very much for your letter of September 3, just received.

Enclosed you will find three photocopies of documents which form part of the trial records offered to you in my last letter. As you will see, they are the original arrest warrant of Benjamin Pierce, testimony by Hannah Jewell, and to give an indication of the form of the material, a petition on behalf of Benjamin Pierce.

These documents are sent to you on the understanding that, should you decide not to purchase them, you would in no way publish or refer to them, as I am sure you are aware that the buyer of these items will most likely wish to research and publish them himself. While I usually do not shroud everything I do in secrecy, I am sure you can appreciate my reasons for making this stipulation.

While I shall be away in England from September 15 to 25, I shall look forward to hearing from you on my return.

Yours very sincerely,

William Barrett

wb/js
encl.

ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC EDUCATION SOCIETY

6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis 5, Missouri

September 19, 1974

Mr. William L. S. Barrett
Box 1747, Station B
Montreal, P.Q., Canada H3B 3BO

Dear Mr. Barrett:

Thank you for sending me the photocopies of the items involved. They are interesting. I do not wish to purchase them. One of my reasons is that these may have been court records which were improperly removed from the court and should be returned to the court. Yet I know that some court records have been pitched out or otherwise disposed of.

You may be interested to know that the alteration illustrated in my Early Paper Money of America was probably made or passed by your Mr. Benjamin Peirce.

I hope you had good picking in England.

Naturally I will not publish these but certainly wish I could mention one line about them in the revision of my book.

Sincerely yours,

Eric P. Newman

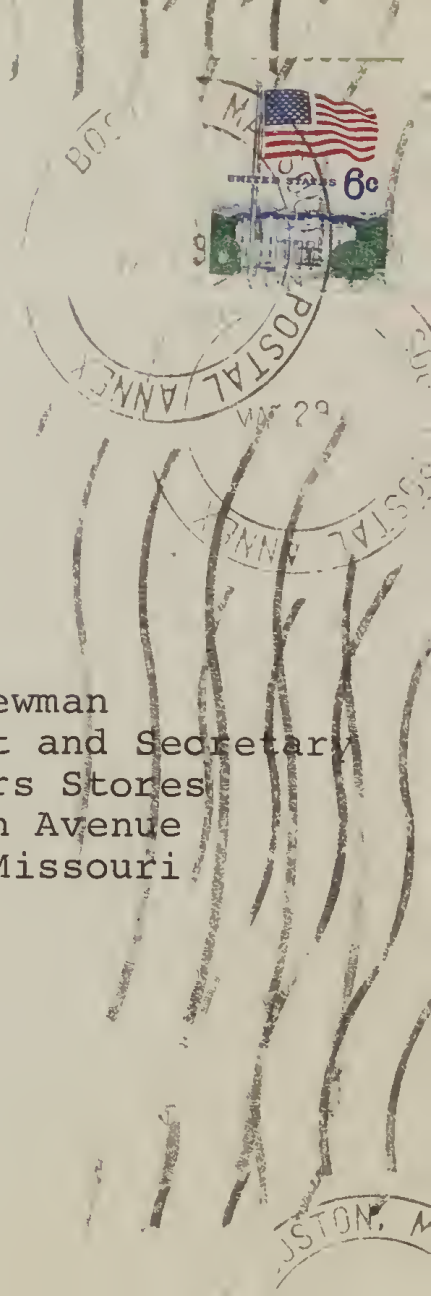
EPN:jah

The Katy crossing the Red River at Denison. A wooden bridge here brought the first train into Texas from the north and east on Christmas Eve 1:72

PAINTED BY EDWARD FOGG

Thank you for your gracious and thoughtful note of April 14. I hope to be a visitor to Saint Louis during May or June and will look forward to capitalizing that opportunity to show my library to you and Art Hollenbeck before it is moved to Boston.

John W. Barriger
Boston and Maine Railroad
150 Causeway Street
Boston, Massachusetts
02114



Mr. Eric P. Newman
Vice President and Secretary
Edison Brothers Stores
400 Washington Avenue
Saint Louis, Missouri
63100

ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC EDUCATION SOCIETY

6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis 5, Missouri

August 2, 1968

Mr. George Hubert Bates
1023 Adams Street
Jefferson City, Missouri 65101

Dear Mr. Bates:

It has been over a year since I wrote you with respect to purchasing from you the set of gold tax tokens which we were in correspondence about.

You will recall that if Mr. Smith's set is available Mr. Pfefferkorn would also like to acquire a set.

As you realize, both Mr. Pfefferkorn and ourselves are very sincerely devoted to the numismatic history of Missouri and I would like very much to hear from you as to your current thoughts on the disposition of these items.

Kindest regards.

Sincerely yours,

ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC
EDUCATION SOCIETY

EPN/atb

To: Mitchell Battino, [redacted]

From: Eric P. Newman, [redacted]

Date: May 18, 1999

Re: Book Discount

Thank you for your interest in our scale and detector book. Ordinarily the books I write are sold by others. I never receive any financial benefit from books or articles I write. The new book is sold at less than the cost of production. Stack's, Bowers and other dealers have also asked for discounts so you are in good company. They have all been turned down as to discounts. If this were a money-making project it would be otherwise. I will be glad to fill your order on receipt of your remittance and hope you understand.

Mitchell Battino
Hudson Rare Coins
[redacted]

July 12, 1999

Dear Mr. Battino:

We are sorry to hear that you have not yet received your books. Two boxes containing a book were strapped together and one label was used for the shipment. They were sent via fourth class mail and so may take longer than most shipments via the Post Office. The books were mailed the week of June 8, 1999.

We are hopeful that you will receive these books in the near future. If you do not receive these books by the first week of August, please let us know and arrangements will be made to get you the books. Thank you for your order and your patience.

Sincerely,

Thomas Serfass

EPNNES

Mr. Gary Batz April 12, 2001

I was fascinated by your article in Equilibrium on coin scales and CCDs of the first three U.S.A. presidents. You certainly did a great quantity of research and must have enjoyed it immensely. Your POYNTELL label is for Philadelphia area and New York area users of their separate money of account calculations and not for money of account or proclamation money of Virginia. The scale Washington bought was for household use and thus in Virginia. The label is also illustrated with other labels from a similar period in the book by A. George Mallis and me on United States Coin Scales and CCDs.

I am working on a similar problem as I have a very early scale with a label for specific United States use, but without date or person. It is unlisted anywhere. I have told Diana about it and she is helping me because the scale is English made.

It is interesting that none of our first three presidents had an American made scale, an American Label or even an English label specifying American detail.

Keep writing,

Eric P. Newman

George Hubert Bates
1023 Adams Street
Jefferson City, Missouri 65101

Aug 17, 1968

Dear Mr Hannan — Sure! Gold Tokens.

I received yours of 2nd inst. but was delayed in contacting Mrs. Smith. Since conferring with her, I feel that neither of us cares to sell at this time — My daughter was said she would like to have mine and I feel that is also the case with Mrs Smith —

Thanks for your interest in preserving these rare items.

Very Truly yours,
G. H. Bates

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10 February 2010

Eric P. Newman
6450 Cecil Avenue
St. Louis, MO 63105

Dear Eric,

It's been quite a while since we communicated. I hope you're well and enjoying life.

This letter is a blast from the past in more than one respect. Back in 1971 you acquired the Islamic coin collection of Robert W. Morris and proceeded to donate it to the ANS in a series of gifts. You retained 3 gold dinars for your own collection, to wit:

gold dinar, San`a mint, dated 335
gold dinar, attributed then to Zabid mint, dated 342 (today these are attributed to `Aththar)
gold dinar, "Zabid," dated 355 (in this case, Zabid is possible)

All three coins are from 10th-century Yemen. Recently I've been writing a long article on Yemen's early coins, up to and including the issues above. It's about ready for press, but three days I ago I discovered among my old papers a folder with four pages of metal analysis results analyses by a couple of scholars at the University of Michigan, one a historian and the other a chemist with access to a neutron activation analysis apparatus. At the time they made the tiny scrape samples ("streaks"), your coins were at the ANS but the ones analyzed were not yet donated. They also sampled quite a few ANS coins besides the ones in your collection. The results are very interesting and will have to be integrated into my article. Here are the results for your 3 coins:

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mint	date	Av%	Ag%	Cu%	streak no.
San`a	335	76.7	22.4	0.97	722
Zabid	342	90.2	8.2	1.6	746
Zabid	355	90.2	8.3	1.5	755
same coin	same coin	92.0	6.3	1.8	756

In a note on his manuscript, the historian says the second of the two analysesof the 355 coin is probably more accurate. Generally, these analyses are consistent with the many other coins they also analyzed and are probably approximately correct, although it wouldn't hurt to analyze them again someday if someone wants to. I transcribed the full set of analyses, about 50 coins, and can send the information if you like.

For reasons that I no longer remember, the first two coins that you kept were photographed in 1970, but the third one was not. It would be very useful to have good modern digital images of those three coins, especially now to be able to double-check the attributions in relation to the metal analyses. Would it be possible for you to have the coins photographed or scanned for me? It would also be useful to have their weights, diameters, and die-axes. May I use the images in my article, if appropriate? I presume the coins belong to your foundation, technically; if so, I'll need the official name for identification, and any serial or id numbers attached. E-mail is fine for all this (Tiesenhausen@yahoo.com).

Bob Hoge, to whom I spoke after drafting this, asked me to send his regards.

And with best regards always from me,

Michael L. Bates
Curator Emeritus of Islamic Coins
The American Numismatic Society

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ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC EDUCATION SOCIETY

6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri 63105

June 24, 2010

Mr. Michael L. Bates
1334 River Road, Apt. 3
Edgewater, NJ 07020-1424

Dear Michael:

I located the three Yemen gold coins which you need a picture of, but I am not sure if one of them is the wrong coin.

The coin I located is a half dinar from the San'a Mint dated 335. If this is wrong, I will look for a full dinar. If it is correct, you do not need to notify me.

I am going to spend the summer in Martha's Vineyard, but I can be reached by telephone at any time, 314 727-0850.

My very best greetings to you,

Eric P. Newman
Eric P. Newman Numismatic Education Society

given to Tom for imaging
9/22/10
SPN

ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC EDUCATION SOCIETY

6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis 5, Missouri

February 8, 1973

Mr. William H. Barthel
1100 Preakness
Florissant, Mo. 63033

Dear Mr. Barthel:

Thank you very much for sending in your suggestion of a written material to send to Scouts. I realize you have put considerable time and thought into preparing it and feel that the idea you have is a very good one.

I have taken the liberty of making suggested changes in the article and I hope you will accept them with the understanding of my position. The primary point is that for Scout Merit Badge purposes, knowledge is the major and principal benefit for the Boy Scout.

I cannot go along with any discussion of value or investment or money-making from the hobby. In my opinion these do not belong in the Merit Badge picture. For that reason I have eliminated these portions from your discussion.

I have also made a number of suggestions.

I am returning your text with the suggestions written on it. If you care to make a revision for Scout purposes, I will be more than glad to look over the revision but sending it out with any value emphasis is something I cannot give my consent to.

I hope you understand my position.

Sincerely yours,

EPN/atb

ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC
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Pam Turbidy Baucom
Florentine Films
[redacted]

January 8, 1997

Dear Ms. Baucom:

Your December 18, 1996 letter arrived while I was out of the country and thus the delay in response.

We are glad to give permission for our 1817 partial view of St. Louis to be used in your book and thank you for asking us for permission.

The view does not belong to Missouri Historical Society and credit should be given to us. Please make that correction.

If you customarily pay for use of illustrations you may pay us the standard fee, unless you pay Missouri Historical Society. In any event we would like a copy of the book gratis when it is completed.

If you need anything further let us know.

Sincerely,

Eric P. Newman

P.S. In the view William Clark's warehouse is the first building to the left of the top of the mast of the keel boat.

3-3-95

UNITED STATES SENATOR
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20510

MAX BAUCUS
MONTANA

Dear Eric,

Good seeing you at the Jack Danforth event for inner city children.

You got my curiosity up by telling me you've founded a money museum. I've got a couple of good coin collector friends in Montana.

Hope to see you soon!

Sincerely,

Max

ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC EDUCATION SOCIETY

6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri 63105

April 11, 1995

Senator Max Baucus
United States Senator
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Max:

You were very thoughtful to write me after we met at the Jack Danforth event in St. Louis. I was delighted that my Money Museum was of interest to you and that you have some coin collector friends in Montana.

I would like to invite you and any of your Montana coin collector friends to visit our museum in St. Louis at any time, and enclose some pamphlets you may mail to your friends if you wish. We run this museum for public benefit and have several hundred classes there each year. In addition to our collection and display, we have a large numismatic library. If we can be of service to you or your friends, please contact us.

My wife and I sincerely enjoyed meeting you and talking to you. Your wife's activities intrigued us as well.

Cordially,

Eric P. Newman

EPN:bv

UNITED STATES SENATOR
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20510

MAX BAUCUS
MONTANA

May 22, 1995

Mr. Eric P. Newman
Eric P. Newman Numismatic Education Society
6450 Cecil Avenue
St. Louis, Missouri 63105

Dear Eric:

Thanks so much for your letter following our meeting at the Jack Danforth event in St. Louis. I enjoyed the opportunity to visit with you and your wife.

Thanks, also, for the information on the Mercantile Money Museum. I have shared the brochures with several of my constituents who are interested in the possibility of a new dollar coin.

Please stay in touch and definitely let me know when your travel plans bring you to Washington, D.C.

Sincerely,

Max

May 24, 1951

Mr. George J. Bauer
1462 Culver Road
Rochester 9, New York

Dear Mr. Bauer:

Lot 687, being the Connecticut 3 pence is of substantial interest to me and I would appreciate it if you would send me the coin for examination and I will return it forthwith.

I would like to know exactly what die variety it is and be certain as to its authenticity. Would you be kind enough to favor me in this respect?

Sincerely yours,

EPNewman:ptb

Mercantile
Money Museum

Mercantile Tower
Seventh & Washington
St. Louis, Mo. 63101
314-421-1819

March 6, 1989

Roland & Keith Bauer
22 Briarcliffe
Collinsville, Ill 62234

Dear Roland & Keith:

We want to thank you for the many courtesies you have shown to us and the Arab money you have donated. We plan to put up an exhibit of Arabian currency shortly and appreciate your loaning us the teapot, sword, and headress as well as the pictures and books. We will use those which fit into the exhibit. As you realize, our space is limited for each exhibit.

We enjoyed the antique show at the Lovejoy Library and met a number of friends there.

Please come to visit us any time or call us in the event you have any project in which we can be helpful.

Sincerely,

Eric P. Newman

Mercantile
Money Museum

Mercantile Tower
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St. Louis, Mo. 63101
314-421-1819

October 2, 1989

Mr. Roland Bauer
President
Friends of Lovejoy Library
of SIU at Edwardsville
Edwardsville, IL 62026-1063

Dear Roland:

I am looking forward to your visit on October 11, 1989 and I can join you for lunch.

I would like for you to tell me on or before that time how long you want the program to be and whether you wish me to concentrate on Illinois or Missouri monetary history, or any other phase of such history which has the most appeal to your group.

Evelyn will not be able to join your group for lunch.

Cordially,

Eric P. Newman

bv

ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC EDUCATION SOCIETY

6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri 63105

October 11, 1989

Mr. Roland Bauer
Abstracts & Titles, Inc.
205 N. Second Street
Edwardsville, IL 62025

Dear Roland:

We are glad to try to fulfill your 10/4/89 request for certain folios from our 1873 Madison County Atlas. We do not have all of them available but enclose the following:

p. 105	Anderson Farm
p. 11	Court House
112-113	Map of Edwardsville
118	Collinsville High School
85	Troy House

We are glad to exchange these for some other historical item or items of equal value, such as a county atlas we do not have or something else of that nature.

Sincerely,

Eric P. Newman

EPN:bv

Mr. Roland Bauer [redacted] April 15, 1996

Dear Roland:

The last time we met we talked about the fascinating History of Madison County (Edwardsville 1882) which you turned over to me in connection with our exchange. I had said that it was missing a couple of illustrations and you said to tell you what they were as you might be able to locate them for replacement.

I have just checked my volume and the following were torn out and missing:

Facing p. 179 Public Building

Facing p. 344 Edwardsville

Facing p. 388 Building where Lovejoy was murdered

Facing p. 396 Alton.

Perhaps you have a complete volume for replacement. Perhaps you have a defective or incomplete volume with these pictures in it.

Anything you can do to help would be most appreciated.

My kindest regards,

Eric P. Newman

Nov-19.1985

DEAR ERIC:

THE VISIT WAS GREAT

THE COMPANY SUPER

THE MUSEUM TRIP A PLEASURE

YOUR FRIENDSHIP A TREASURE

Loveand xxx,

Ruth

Harry Forman
Ruth Bauer

ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC EDUCATION SOCIETY

6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis 5, Missouri

March 6, 1969

Dr. Walter Baumgarten
5505 Delmar Blvd.,
St. Louis, Mo. 63112

Dear Walter:

When medical journals write up numismatic books that shows how much we need doctors in numismatics. Some of the finest numismatic research has been done by doctors and they have participated to a great extent in the enjoyment and satisfactions of the field.

It so happens that the book described is by a very good friend of mine who was kind enough to dedicate it to me so I am familiar with its content.

Thank you for your thoughtfulness.

Sincerely yours,

Eric

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ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC EDUCATION SOCIETY

6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis 5, Missouri

September 10, 1970

Mr. Kurt H. Bauer
6345 Lorca Drive
San Diego, Calif. 92115

Dear Mr. Bauer:

What you appear to have is an 1749 English halfpenny, which is genuine, and which would not be classified as a "Bungtown".

The halfpennies of 1749 were imported into Massachusetts, in enormous quantities, in order to pay for expeditions to Canada which New England forces had undertaken. English halfpennies circulated in Massachusetts at that time. The importation of the coins is described in Sylvester Crosby's "Early Coins of America".

We hope we have been helpful.

Sincerely yours,

ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC
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EPN/atb

Phone 582-0603

A. N. A. #42573

KURT H. BAUER
6345 Lorca Drive
San Diego ~~15~~, California
92115.

San Diego. Cal. Sept. 4th 1970.

Mr. Eric P. Newman.

St. Louis - Mo.

Dear Mr. Newman!

After reading your ~~Comment~~ on Brantown - - Tokens in Coin World some time ago; I feel compelled to write this Letter.

I have, what appears to be a Copper - Half Penny -, dated 1749 - Reverse Bust of George II - facing left.

Your Knowledge and Research Experience would come in handy in a Case such as this.

This Piece came originally from New England (Mass.).

If you are willing to look into this for me, I will send you a Photo Copy of it.

Respectfully,

Kurt H. Bauer.
6345 Lorca Drive
San Diego - Cal. 92115.

S. T. BAYBUTT
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Rec'd 8/18/90

Mr. Newman,

I recently won a mail bid in Charlie Davis's Sale #20, The book is Chauncey LEES American Accomptant. From reading my Asylum I know you also acquired the book a few weeks ago. I'm a long time fan of yours, an avid collector of Large Cents and paper money member of E.A.C., T.A.M.S. and N.B.S. I know your time is very valuable, best if you could give me any information you have on this book it would be very appreciated

Thank you very much.

Scott T Baybutt.

P.S. Bob Moffet was kind enough to give me your address.

ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC EDUCATION SOCIETY

6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri 63105

August 22, 1990

Mr. S. T. Baybutt
142 Forest Street
Peabody, MA 01960

Dear Mr. Baybutt:

I am glad to answer your inquiry about Chauncey Lee's American Accountant. I collect exchange calculating books and this has that material in it. That is part of my work on early American money circulation.

It is very uncommon and not appreciated by most people because of its title.

I am researching the history of the printed $ sign and this is the first printed American book to have symbols for specific coins or amounts. The symbol for dollar is quite different from $.

Enjoy the book--it is an unusual novelty. My best to Bob Moffit.

Sincerely,

Eric P. Newman

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